(b) and (c) The price of Betamethasone and its salts were revised based on the recommendation of Price Review Committee.

(d) and (e) The liability of the company to pay into the DPEA is being finalised.

Prices of Betamethasone

2470. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) what were the prices of Betamethasone Di-Sodium, Betamethasone alcohol and Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate before the commencement of DPCO, 1979 ;

(b) what were the prices fixed under DPCO, 1979 of each ;

(c) whether it is a fact that his Ministry did not fix the prices of formulations based on these drugs under DPCO, 1979 due to stay from High Court ;

(d) what are the details regardings entitlement of the company for ex-factory cost ;

(e) whether it is a fact that company gave an undertaking to Delhi High Court in respect to prices of these drugs ; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND RETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. NAMGYAL) : (a) and (b) The prices of Betamethasone bulk drug and its salts fixed under DPCO, 1979 and the prices charged by M/s. Glindia Ltd. by obtaining the stay from the Delhi High Court are given below :

Sl.No.	Name of the formulation	Prices fixed under DPCO 1979 Rs/Gm.	Prices charged by the Co. Rs./Gm.
1	Betamethasone Alcohol	113.34	134.28
2	Betamethasone 17-Valrate . .	105.85	220.00
3	Betamethasone Di-Sodium Phosphate	126.23	225.00

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The entitlement of the company for ex-factory cost will be in accordance with the provisions of DPCO.

(e) and (f) The following order was passed by the Delhi High Court. "On the petitioners undertaking to maintain prices of both bulk drugs and its formulations prior to the impugned notification, we stay implementation of the impugned bulk drug prices which have been notified as well as the prices of formulations from the said bulk drug till further orders".

Hearing to M/s. Merind on Price of Dexamethasone

2471. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY :
SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state ?

(a) whether it is a fact that Merind (formerly known as